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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) Arrangement for connecting a drawer frame (12) to a drawer bottom (10), the arrangement comprising

formed by a metal hollow chamber profile suitable for being attached to the a facing lateral edge of the associated plate-shaped drawer bottom (10), in which the profile including the drawer frame (12) having a strip-shaped vertical contact web (26) for a lateral end face of the drawer bottom (10) at least in part-regions of its a lower end region opposite the an end face of the an edge of the drawer bottom (10), the drawer frame (12) has in each case a strip-shaped vertical contact web (26) for the lateral end face of the drawer bottom (10), and

a supporting leg (28) which is engaged under the drawer bottom in the proper connection position and is bent away from the lower end of the contact web and has includes integrally projecting from it fixing claws (32), the fixing claws which are pointed or sharpened at their free ends [,.] and project over the a support surface of the supporting leg (28) and can be are suitable for being pressed into the material of a the drawer bottom which is to be fixed, each, the supporting leg (28) having at least one elongate punched-out slot (30) which is closed all round in its region disposed between the strip-shaped contact web (26) and its free edge, and that

the fixing claws (32) are attached integrally to one of the edges of the punched-out slot (30) and are extensions formed out of the from material of the supporting leg (28) itself which and are bent round substantially at right angles in the direction of the drawer bottom (10), characterized in that and wherein

at least two or more connector components (14) made from sheet metal are provided which can be for being installed in the an underside of the drawer frame and on each of which is provided the including the supporting leg (28) for which engages engaging under the drawer bottom (12 0) and is provided with the fixing claws (32), and that the contact web (26) of the connector component (14) is of such a dimension in terms of height that in the proper fixing position of the drawer bottom (10) on the drawer frame (12) it projects over the underside of the drawer bottom (10), and that the supporting leg (28) which projects from the lower end of the contact web (26) under the drawer

bottom (10) has two parallel strip-shaped leg portions (28a; 28b) which are offset in height and of which the outer leg portion (28b) facing away from the contact web (26) is offset in height relative to the inner leg portion (28a) directly adjoining the contact web by the amount by which the contact web (26) projects over the underside of the drawer bottom (10) in the direction back towards the drawer bottom (10).

2. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the punched-out slot (3) is provided in the supporting leg (28) in the junction region between the inner and outer leg regions- portions (28a, 28b) which are offset in height, so that then the fixing claw(s) (32) is or are attached integrally to an edge of the punched-out slot (30) which extends parallel to the lateral edge of the drawer bottom (10).

3. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein at least a pair of parallel fixing claws is provided spaced from one another on each punched-out slot (30).

4. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the the-fixing claws (32) are formed by tab-like shaped extensions formed out of the material of the supporting leg (28) in the punched-out region, and the free ends of these extensions are chamfered in such a way that they each form a pointed or sharpened edge which penetrates into the underside of the drawer bottom (10).

5. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 4, ~~characterised in that at~~ wherein at the chamfers of the free ends of the fixing claws (32) extend in the opposite direction to the chamber of the respective other fixing claws (32), so that the free ends of the fixing claws when they penetrate into the drawer bottom (10) are bent in the opposite direction of deformation.

6. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein at least one through hole (34) for the shank of a fixing screw to be screwed into the drawer bottom (10) is provided in each case in the outer leg portion (28b) of the supporting leg (28) of the

connector components.

7. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the at least two connector component (14) ~~[[is a]]~~ are punched pressed parts made from sheet metal which has in its region to be disposed in the open underside of the drawer frame (12) a cross-section corresponding to the internal cross-section of the region of the hollow chamber profile of the drawer frame (12) which receives the connector component (14).
8. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 7, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the connector components (14) is provided in its region to be installed in the interior of the drawer frame (12) with fixing means for installation in the hollow chamber profile of the drawer frame (12).
9. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 8, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the elongate low housing of an automatic drawer retraction device (50) is disposed on the underside, facing away from the drawer bottom, of the supporting leg (28) of one of the connector components (14) in such a way that the pawl component (52) thereof which triggers the retraction function projects, during the pull-out or push-in movement of the drawer, into the path of a catch (54) which is disposed ~~or indirectly~~ on the guide rail (44) fixed on the carcass or on a mounting (46) thereof.
10. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 9, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a damping device which slows down the retraction movement of the pawl component (52) after it has been triggered by the catch (54) is provided in the housing (48) of the automatic retraction device (50).
11. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the damping device is provided with a damper ~~which is known per se~~ and has a fluid or gaseous damping medium.

12. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 11, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a the housing (48) of the automatic retraction device (50) is latched with the supporting leg (28) of the associated connector component (14).

13. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the elongate housing (48) of the automatic retraction device (50) is additionally connected to the drawer frame (12) in its region which projects over the supporting leg (28) in the pull-out or retraction direction of the drawer.

14. (Currently Amended) Connecting arrangement as claimed in Claim 13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the additional connection of housing (48) of the automatic retraction device (50) is formed by a tongue (58) is provided which projects from the housing, points in the pull-out or retraction direction of the drawer and can be inserted into a receptacle in the drawer frame (12).

15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).